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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2003 with an initial period of three months for response. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is an amendment in the above patent application in response to the Office Action of April 10, 2003.

- ___ Applicants request an extension of time for months. Enclosed is a check to cover the \$ fee.
- X No additional fee is required.
- X Also enclosed: postcard.

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No. of Claims After Amendment			Most Claims Previously Paid	Extra Claims			Additional Fee		
A. Total Claims	21	+	63	=	0	х	\$18	=	\$0
B. Ind. Claims	1	•	4	=	0	х	\$84	=	0
C. If amended to contain multiple dependent claims, add 280 \$280								= .	\$0
D. Total Amendment Fee (Total of A, B & C)								=	0
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F. Total Amendment Fee (D minus E)								=	\$0

 A check for \$	to cover	the extension	of time	fee and	extra	claims	fee
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 7 10 03

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